

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Board of Regents

**From:** Board Office

**Subject:** Naming of the Student Health Center as the Thomas B. Thielen  
Student Health Center, Iowa State University

**Date:** August 30, 2001

**Recommended Action:**

Approve Iowa State University's request to name the Student Health Center the Thomas B. Thielen Student Health Center.

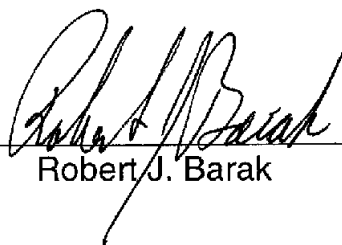
**Executive Summary:**

Iowa State University requests approval to name the Student Health Center the Thomas B. Thielen Student Health Center in honor of Thomas B. Thielen, who served Iowa State University for twenty years as the Vice President for Student Affairs and retired from the University in 1997.

When Dr. Thielen was recruited to Iowa State University, he stated among his objectives as the Vice President for Student Affairs, that it would be important to articulate student interests and concerns to faculty and administration and to improve the quality of student services in order to better complement the educational mission at ISU.

He accomplished these objectives and much more. It is a distinct honor for Dr. Thielen that the nomination to rename the Student Health Center came in the form of a Senate Resolution by the Senate of the Government of the Student Body. This resolution declares, in part, that Dr. Thielen diligently served the students of Iowa State University from 1977 to 1997 and in those years displayed a genuine and constant concern for the welfare of all students of Iowa State University. The resolution goes on to recognize the instrumental role played by Dr. Thielen at the inception of the Student Health Center and asks that it be renamed as a reminder of his never-ending commitment and dedication to the students of Iowa State University.

The resolution by the Government of the Student Body Senate was considered by the University's Advisory Committee on the Naming of Buildings and Streets and subsequently unanimously approved by this committee. Therefore, in recognition of his dedication to students and numerous contributions to Iowa State University, ISU is requesting that the proposal to rename the Student Health Center as the Thomas B. Thielen Student Health Center be approved.



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